

Romans

Schedule of Classes

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Questions adapted from Larry Brown's study of Romans, part 1 & 2. Full copy of his material is available here: http://embryhills.us/adult_class_material/romans/romans_part_1_and_2_larry_brown.pdf

Lesson 8: The Rejection of Jews and God's Absolute Power Asserted

The Rejection of the Jews

Romans 9:1-18

QUESTIONS:

1. How much love did Paul have for the nation of Israel?

2. Who are the true children of God?

3. What does God have the right to do?

4. What eight things does Paul say pertain to the Israelites
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.
 - e.
 - f.
 - g.
 - h.

5. What does verse 11 mean (“purpose of God according to election”)?

6. Explain verse 17

7. When did God make a choice between Jacob and Esau?

8. Why did God choose Isaac above Abraham's other sons?

9. What bore witness that Paul spoke the truth?

10. Why did God raise up Pharaoh?

11. In light of verses 11, 16, and 18, explain the doctrine of predestination. Can man change his destiny? Is man's obedience of faith necessary for salvation?

12. What is your favorite verse in this section and why?

God's Absolute Power Asserted

Romans 9:19-33

The Jews' charge that if God has rejected them as His people and accepted the Gentiles, then He is unfaithful in His promises, has been faced head on by Paul. He has demonstrated that those who are merely the descendants of the patriarchs, without showing forth faithfulness, have never been God's people (6-13). He has shown that God has the power and liberty to do as He wills. Who does man think he is to call God to account for his actions (remember the trouble Job got in to when he questioned God?)

Paul shows that God's purpose was two-fold; (1) to show His wrath and power to those who through disobedience and rebellion show themselves unfit for eternal life and (2) to make known the riches of His glory to those who trust and obey Him. Paul then shows that this is no afterthought in the mind of God. He foretold what was now happening in the prophets (25-29). And finally Paul explains why the Jews were being rejected (30-33)

Paul's conclusion: That God's words of promise were not just to the fleshly descendants of Abraham (as the Jews would have it), but to the faithful remnant of Israel and to the Gentiles who accepted the righteousness which is by faith. The only reason any of the Israelites were rejected by God was because of their rejection of the Messiah, even as Isaiah foretold.

QUESTIONS:

1. What OT prophet foretold that Gentiles would be a part of the people of God? Where?
2. What did Isaiah say would happen to the nation of Israel?
3. Why are the Gentiles among the saved?
4. Why are some Israelites going to be lost?
5. What are "vessels of wrath"?
6. What are "vessels of mercy"?
7. Who is the stumbling block?
8. Why did the Jews not attain righteousness?
9. What is your favorite verse in this section and why?